MEETING MINUTES - Draft Historical Commission Town of Scituate

January 20, 2022 Virtual 7:00 pm

Commission Members Present: Bob Brand, Stephen Litchfield, Doug Smith, Jim Glinski, Susannah Green and Jack Whittaker.

Other attendees: Lyle Nyberg, Stephen Connolly, Byron Leach, Constance Leach, Mary Lou Bohn.

1. Welcome and Call to Order

Chairman Doug Smith called to order a regular meeting of the Scituate Historical Commission at 7:03 pm through a virtual zoom call.

2. Approval of Minutes

Meeting minutes for the November 2021 and December 2021 meeting were reviewed with edits. Susannah Green is making edits and will post to Town website.

3. Demolition Review Evaluation

Three applications for demolition review were presented at the meeting.

215 Tilden Road – A review of the application and site visit on 215 Tilden Road was discussed. The site visit confirmed the condition, especially the foundation and lack of historical features due to remodeling. The hearing was closed and a motion to delay was read. *Motion the property at 215 Tilden Road be considered "Preferably Preserved" and subject to a twelve month demolition delay beginning on January 20, 2021.* The motion was seconded. The motion failed to carry by a vote of 0 for and 5 against. The Chair will notify the building inspector.

50 Hazel Avenue – A review of the application and site visit on 50 Hazel Ave was discussed. The site visit confirmed the condition, especially the foundation and lack of historical features due to remodeling. The hearing was closed and a motion to delay was read. *Motion the property at 50 Hazel Ave be considered "Preferably Preserved" and subject to a twelve month demolition delay beginning on January 20, 2021*. The motion was seconded. The motion failed to carry by a vote of 0 for and 5 against. The Chair will notify the building inspector.

40 Crescent Ave - The Commission reviewed the application and conducted a site visit on the property. The applicant Mary Lou Bohn updated the Commission on the property being in Trust and that the Trustees are determining the next steps with the property. The hearing will continue until the February meeting.

4. grant Application Review

The Commission discussed the notification from the Massachusetts Historical Commission for a grant application of \$30,000 to hire a consultant to assist the Commission in developing a comprehensive historic preservation plan for the Town. There is matching component, and the Commission will seek additional funds from the Community Preservation Act.

5. Historic Home Plaques

The Commission will work to develop an application and process to have the signs made. The application is complete and will be placed on the Scituate Historical Commission's website.

6. History of Scituate Summary Review

The Commission reviewed a draft of the early history of Scituate by Jim Glinski. This can be used with the website or other documents needing this information.

7. Form B Submission

There were no Form B submissions this month.

8. Historic CPC Projects

Chairman Smith reported on new CPC historic projects including the restoration of the Scituate Lighthouse lantern.

9. Upcoming Meeting Dates

The next meeting of the Commission will be held in person. Upcoming meetings will be held 2/17/2022, 3/17/2022, 4/21/2022 and 5/19/2022. A site visit is scheduled for 32 Brook Street on 2/12/2022.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm

Documents reviewed during meeting

Agenda

Demolition review applications 215 Tilden Road, 40 Crescent Ave, 50 Hazel Ave, 32 Brook Street

Historical photograph of 40 Crescent Ave

Grant application MHC